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**UTILITY PATENT APPLICATION  
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Sir:

Transmitted herewith for filing under 37 C.F.R. § 1.53(b) is the nonprovisional utility patent application of:

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☐ Applicant claims small entity status under 37 CFR 1.27.

Enclosed are:

☒ Specification, Claims, and Abstract (11 pages).

☒ Informal drawings (5 sheets, Figures 1A,1B,2A,2B,2C,3,4).

- ☒ Executed Declaration and Power of Attorney (3 pages).
- ☐ Assignment of the invention.
- ☐ Assignment Recordation Cover Sheet.
- ☐ Small Entity statement.
- ☐ Request for application not to be published with certification under 35 USC 122(b)(2)(B)(i).
- ☒ Information Disclosure Statement.
- ☒ Form PTO/SB/08 with copies of 12 cited references.
- ☒ Application Data Sheet (37 CFR 1.76).
- ☐ Claim for Convention Priority.

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